IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA CLARKSBURG

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

U.S. DISTRICT COURT-WVND CLARKSBURG, WV 26301

Plaintiff,

CRIMINAL ACTION NO.: 1:22-CR-49

BRUCE HENRY SMITH,

v.

Defendant.

<u>DUE PROCESS PROTECTIONS ACT ORDER</u> TO ALL COUNSEL REGARDING BRADY OBLIGATIONS

Pursuant to the Due Process Protections Act of 2020, the Court reminds the Government's attorneys that under <u>Brady v. Maryland</u>, 373 U.S. 83 (1963) and its progeny, failing to disclose favorable evidence to the accused violates due process where the evidence is material either to guilt or punishment. Further, consequences for a Brady violation can include, but are not necessarily limited to, a vacated conviction and disciplinary actions against the prosecutor.

The Clerk of Court is **DIRECTED** to transmit copies of this Order to all counsel of record herein.

DATED: August 8, 2022

MICHAEL JOFIN ALOP

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE